really the consummate teacher, and education lost what a real teacher should do," her husband said. "She cared not just for the mental and scholastic side of the students, but she cared about their personal welfare."

Born in Denver, Colorado, Mrs. Herring was a teenager when she moved with her family to Sylvania Township, near Toledo, Ohio. She was a 1963 graduate of Sylvania High School and received a bachelor's degree from Ohio State University. She was a trustee of the Toledo Legal Aid Society and was a former president of Ohio Municipal Attorneys. In retirement, she was on the board of St. Paul's Community Center. She took part in the Lucas County Juvenile Court's Court Appointed Special Advocate program. She was a lector at Blessed Sacrament Church. Surviving are her husband, David, whom she married May 21, 1966; sons, David and Nathan; brother, John White: sister. Carole Gildemeister, and five grandchildren.

It is with the deepest admiration that I pay tribute to the exemplary life of a pioneering woman. She dedicated her life in service to her family, friends, her students and the city of Toledo. May her family be comforted by the memories they hold and may Barbara Herring be blessed with a loving peace.

TARP REFORM AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2009

SPEECH OF

HON. BETTY McCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, January 14, 2009

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 384) to reform the Troubled Assets Relief Program of the Secretary of the Treasury and ensure accountability under such Program, and for other purposes.

Ms. McCOLLUM. Mr. Chairman, I rise today to express my support for the TARP Reform and Accountability Act (H.R. 384). I thank Chairman FRANK and the House Leadership for their hard work on this legislation, which brings focus, accountability, and transparency to the implementation of the Troubled Asset Relief Program, TARP, to make it an effective tool to stabilize and revive our economy.

Our country faces the bleakest economic forecast since the Great Depression of the 1930s. Today, millions of Americans are struggling to find jobs, keep their homes, and pay their bills. Last fall, to prevent the collapse of our financial markets, the 110th Congress swiftly passed the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act (EESA). With this measure, Congress entrusted the Bush administration's Treasury Department with \$350 billion from the Troubled Asset Relief Program to purchase bad debt-including mortgages-from financial institutions in order to thaw credit markets and increase confidence in the financial system. Unfortunately, in implementing the TARP, the Bush Administration failed to address housing foreclosures, resume the flow of credit, or perform oversight of financial institutions receiving assistance under the TARP.

As the 111th Congress considers releasing an additional \$350 billion in TARP funds to the Treasury Department under the Obama administration, we must be assured the additional money will be spent responsibly and transparently.

The TARP Reform and Accountability Act addresses fundamental flaws in the implementation of "TARP I" by closing loopholes and enforcing strict accountability and transparency. The act ensures that TARP funds aid American families at risk of losing their homes as originally intended by Congress by mandating foreclosure relief and making improvements to the Hope for Homeowners program. In addition, stringent executive compensation limits for all past and future TARP assistance will prevent taxpayer dollars paying for corporate bonuses.

Once again, I thank Chairman FRANK for his leadership and urge my colleagues to join me in supporting this important, timely legislation.

IN HONOR OF THE ALBANY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND ITS COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDEES

HON. MICHELE BACHMANN

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES $Monday, January\ 26,\ 2009$

Mrs. BACHMANN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor 34 men and women and one whole family from Albany, MN who have put their heart and soul into making that community such a wonderful place to live, work, and raise a family.

This weekend, the Albany Chamber of Commerce honored these people for putting their "hand and heart into everything they do" to serve their colleagues and their fellow citizens. From keeping us safe to teaching our children to caring for our elderly, these men and women are the rock on which we stand. The chamber, which itself is such an integral part of this community, has taken this opportunity to draw attention to the selfless and kind acts of these individuals and their nominating organizations:

Richard "Hunk" Wolf, Albany Fire Department; Richard Schiller, Albany Senior Dining; Bertha Schiller, Albany Senior Dining; Rosie Finken, Albany Senior Dining; Bob Pauly, Albany Senior Dining; Bob Thielman, Albany Senior Dining; Ralph Vos, Albany Senior Dining; Norbert Vos, Albany Senior Dining; Rosie Krebs, Albany Senior Dining; Howard Krebs, Albany Senior Dining, Robert St. Marie, Albany Senior Dining; Richard Carlson, Albany Senior Dining; Grace Carlson, Albany Senior Dining; LuAnn Jopp, Albany Home Bakery; Pam Kraker, Albany Lions; Sarah Kittelson, Albany Police Department; Tammy Jurek, Albany Police Department; Darren Trousil, Albany Police Department.

Paul Nelson, Wells Concrete Products; Steve Stromme, Albany Area Schools; Ron Paulsen, Albany Area Schools; Herb Binsfeld, Albany Food Shelf; Mary Binsfeld, Albany Food Shelf; Kathy Pung, AAH & Medical Center; Judy Zenzen, AAH & Medical Center; Judy Zenzen, AAH & Medical Center; Janet Christen, Holy Family School; Ryan Scherping, Holy Family School; Patty Leyk, Our Savior's Lutheran Church; Val Oehrlein, Mother of Mercy Auxiliary; The Sand Family, Albany Chamber; Al Amdahl, Albany Jaycees; Brennan Shay, Albany Pioneer Club; Bev Lieser, Albany Women of Today; Nathan

Meer, Albany Boy Scouts; Justin Overman, Albany Boy Scouts.

I share in the chamber's recognition of their great public service.

HONORING THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION MANAGEMENT GROUP

HON. PHIL GINGREY

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, January 26, 2009

Mr. GINGREY of Georgia. Madam Speaker, in this troubled economy with fluctuating markets and fiscal uncertainty, it is the small business owner that keeps our economy functioning and keeps the American dream alive.

I am honored to represent thousands of small business owners whose associations, the National Franchisee Association (NFA) and the National Association Management Group (NAMG), are headquartered in my district in Kennesaw, Georgia.

These associations would like to recognize three distinct leaders; NFA Chairman Joseph Anghelone, NAMG Chairman William Patterson and NFA Government Relations Committee Chairman Benjamin Jarratt.

Mr. Joseph Anghelone began his tenure as the NFA Chairman in February of 2006, and since then he has established a record of dedication to the National Franchisee Association and its membership. During his years of selfless service, Mr. Anghelone has been committed to advancing the Burger King Brand through vigorous advocacy on all levels.

In addition to his role as NFA Chairman, Mr. Anghelone has served as the Franchise Relations Committee Chairman and Diversity Affairs Committee Chairman during his term. While his duties have been heavy, Mr. Anghelone has put the association and its membership ahead of himself, to the betterment of the franchisee community.

Mr. William Patterson has served as the Chairman of the National Association Management Group since April of 2006. Previously Mr. Patterson held the post of NAMG Board Director, a position he began in February of 2005.

Mr. Patterson has displayed diligent service to NAMG and its Board of Directors. This service has been marked by a dedication to the growth and continued development of the organization while providing steadfast leadership and direction.

Mr. Benjamin Jarratt was selected to serve as the NFA Secretary in February 2006, and since then he has assumed the role of NFA Government Relations Committee Chairman. In that position. Mr. Jarratt has played a significant role in the development of the NFA's Government Relations advocacy efforts.

In addition, Mr. Jarratt served as the Chairman of the NFA's Government Relations Summit in 2007 and again in 2008. Mr. Jarratt has developed a reputation as a staunch advocate for the interests of franchisees and their businesses.

The National Franchisee Association and National Association Management Group continue to grow and prosper in the face of numerous challenges, which is a testament to the efforts of these three outstanding individuals. The NFA and NAMG will be eternally grateful for the leadership they have provided.